



RECEIVED

JUL 26 2001

TECH CENTER 1600 2900

AGREVO-1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Phuong T. Bui
Group : 1638
Applicants : Bernd Müller-Röber et al.
Application No. : 08/702,718 Confirmation No. : 7038
Filed : March 19, 1997
For : PROCESSES FOR INHIBITING AND INDUCING
FLOWER FORMATION IN PLANTS

New York, New York
July 17, 2001

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a 3-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Action dated January 18, 2001. With the extension, a response is due on or before July 18, 2001. A check in the amount of \$890.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank J. Hale Jr.
James F. Haley, Jr. (Reg. No. 27,794)
Attorney for Applicants
Karen E. Brown (Reg. No. 43,866)
R. Minako Pazdera (Reg. No. 46,984)
Agents for Applicants
c/o Fish & Neave
1251 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10020-1104
Tel: (212) 596-9000
Fax: (212) 596-9090

July 17, 2001

John G. Anderson
SIGNING